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TAGS: UNESCO, XF, IS
SUBJ: UNESCO: 104 EXBD: (ITEM 7.1.6) UNESCO COOPERATION
WITH UN COMMITTEE ON PALESTINIAN PEOPLES UNALIEN-
ABLE RIGHTS

REF: STATE 114521/1

1. DURING MAY 5 LUNCH BREAK, ARABS CAUCUSED AND AGREED TO
TABLE RESOLUTION ON ITEM 7.1.6 AS FOLLOWS:

ITEM 7.1.6 - UNESCO'S CO-OPERATION WITH THE COMMITTEE ON
THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN
PEOPLE AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-
GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC
IMPACT OF THE ISRAELI OCCUPATION (PARAGRAPHS 198-203)

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD,
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1. HAVING, IN ITS 104TH SESSION, TAKEN NOTICE OF THE
RESOLUTIONS OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY NOS 32/40,
32/91, 32, 171,
2. INVITES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO CONTRIBUTE, WITHIN
THE COMPETENCES OF UNESCO, TO THE REPORT OF THE UN

SECRETARY-GENERAL WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SAID RESOLUTIONS, TO THE THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO CONTRIBUTE IN THE WAYS HE DEEMS MOST APPROPRIATE TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

2. DEL OFF DISCUSSED THIS TEXT WITH PLO OBSERVER TO UNESCO, WHO SAID HE HAD BEEN ABSENT WHEN ARAB DECISION TAKEN AT IRAQI PERM REP REQUEST TO MOVE ITEM FROM PART B TO PART A OF BACKGROUND REPORT, OPENING SUBJECT TO GENERAL DEBATE. PLO REP SAID HE OPPOSED TO THIS MOVE, AND HAD SPOKEN AGAINST INTRODUCING RES, BUT CONCEDED TO GENERAL ARAB SENTIMENT FOR DEBATE AND DECISION ON THIS ITEM.

3. PLO REP FURTHER OFFERED TO ENTERTAIN ANY SUGGESTIONS WE MIGHT HAVE TO AMEND TEXT TO MAKE IT ACCEPTABLE. HE OFFERED, FOR EXAMPLE, TO DROP PARA 1, ELIMINATING REFERENCES TO UN RESOLUTIONS WHICH WEO'S GENERALLY HAD OPPOSED. FURTHERMORE, RESPONDING TO OUR EXPRESSION OF NECESSITY TO WEAKEN LINK BETWEEN UNESCO AND COMMITTEE ON PALESTINIANS INALIENABLE RIGHTS, HE SUGGESTED WE CONSIDER FOLLOWING WORDING FOR PARA 2:

INVITES THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TO CONTRIBUTE, WITHIN
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THE COMPETENCES OF UNESCO, TO THE REPORT OF THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO CONTRIBUTE, IN THE WAYS HE DEEMS MOST APPROPRIATE, TO FOSTERING THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

4. PERM DEL HAS BROUGHT THIS SUGGESTION TO DEPT'S ATTENTION NOTING IN PARTICULAR LANGUAGE REFTEL PARA 1, THAT RES WILL REFER IN SOME "UNACCEPTABLE WAY TO THE REPORT OF THE UN PALESTINIAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE." IF RES COULD BE MADE ACCEPTABLE BY AMENDING IT, THIS WOULD GIVE US ADDITIONAL LEVERAGE TO AVOID DIVISIVE DEBATE AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A CLEARLY UNACCEPTABLE TEXT. ALTHOUGH KEY BOARD MEMBERS ARE AWARE US COMMITMENT TO OPPOSE UNACCEPTABLE RESOLUTION, IT STILL TOO EARLY TO PREDICT OUTCOME IF CURRENT TEXT TAKEN TO A VOTE. DEBATE ON 7.1.6 IS STILL SCHEDULED FOR MAY 9, BUT COULD POSSIBLY COME UP MAY 8.

5. DEPT'S GUIDANCE REQUESTED.
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